Many teens are in foster care because of family circumstances beyond their control. Their lives are disrupted, yet many of them will thrive with the support and stability of a caring home.

Good homes are not always available.



You can help

Sign up today to assist a teenager in need. We're standing by to take your call.

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To find out if Foster

Parenting may be right

for you, please contact:

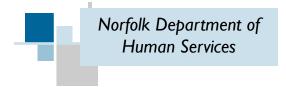
# Resource Development Team

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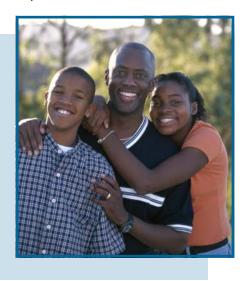
Foster a Teen

# The teenage years...

are an important, and sometimes difficult, time of transition.

For teens in foster care, the journey into adulthood can present unique challenges.

Like others their age, foster teens have goals and dreams. They need the support, love, and stability of caring adults to help them succeed.



## Foster parents receive:

- special training
- support from a professional team of social workers
- a stipend to defray the expenses of care

#### Did You Know?

- Nearly half of Norfolk's foster kids are teens
- When a traditional home placement cannot be made, teens are often placed in group settings that are less compatible with their needs
- Very few foster homes are available for new teens who enter the foster care system
- There is a great need for caring adults to reach out and assist us with this important challenge



Foster teens may be provided with a full tuition scholarship or a stipend should they choose to attend college or other training programs.



### Are You:

- Wanting to make a positive impact in the life of a young person?
- Able to provide guidance, hope, and inspiration in the midst of a difficult situation?
- Wanting to pass on the life lessons you've learned?
- Motivated to address the challenges and experience the satisfaction of caring for a teenager?

#### Foster Teens Need You!



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